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- Two Second Gession of the Communist Carty Congress was held from 28 February 1948 to 6 March 1948 at the Monament Ali Park in Calcutta
- 2. At the first day's sitting, attended by 600 delegates, several fereign fraternal delegates were introduced and goodwill accorage from the United States, Russia, England, France, Greece, Tungary and Greeneslovakia were read.
- At the second day's sitting griof was expressed over the death of Gandhi and protests were made against the autocratic measures of the governments of the United Provinces and Madras in suppressing the labor movements and arresting Gomanniat workers. P.C. Joshi stated that 800 delegates representing 100,000 Gomanniat Party members in India and Pakistan had come to attend the Session. He criticized the Indian government for ordering the Australian representative to leave India when the Session was over.
- 4. At the third day's sitting, the new C.P.I. constitution was discussed by Dr. Adhikari, F.C. Josha, Bhoweni Sen, Biswenath Mukherjos, Joglikar, Moulavi Z.A. Ahmed, and Kr. L.A. dak. It was decided that the capitalistic elements in Congress were becoming more conspicuous, as the present policy towards labor made swident. Or Adhikari stated that a clash between Congress and the Communist Party of India was inevitable. Citing the oppressive measures of the governments of the United Provinces and Madras, he warned all Communist workers to be cautious and added that Party sembership should be restricted. Sefore obtaining membership a person should give proof of practical experience in dealing with labor novements as well as of his pro-Communist Party feelings. He said that India had been divided into two camps, the beurgeoisis, represented by Congress backed by the imperialist powers, and the proleturiat, represented by the C.P.I. becked by the working classes of the world. He said that a chapter should be incorporated in the draft constitution exposing Congress and that an incressant struggle should be launched against Indian nonopoly and capitalism. P.G. Joshi differed with Dr. Adhikari. He was not in favor of too many restrictions on membership. He also observed that the Government should be opposed only on the merit of the issue and not on its party affiliation. He was supported by Shogie from Bembay but opposed by Showani Sen, Biswanath Mukherjee and Moulavi Z.A. Ahmed. Bhowani Sen doclared Jochi's attitude to be reactionary.
- 5. At the fourth day's sitting, Enowani Sen, supported by B.T. Randive, urged that the constitution drafted by Dr. Adhikuri at manneal as follows: (The motion was carried and incorporated in the draft constitution.)

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- (1) The Communist Party should launch a program of action against the Indian capitalists and Congress and the Party mesoers should be prepared for the impending proletarian revolution.
- (2) despership in the Party should be liven, after proper scrutiny by the Central Constitute, only tothers workers, who, besides maving a working knowledge of the "Communist Manifesto", had six months work in the labor cells to their credit, respecting which a certificate had been forwarded to the Provincial Secretary by the District Secretary and by the Provincial Secretary to the Central Constitute.
- (3) We member would be abla to criticize the Central Generates except through LE cell.
- 6. Describing the various Party policies during the last five years, Randive referred to the theories of the United Front and the reopie's far and remarked that the policies of the C.F.I. were the outcome of the development of the International Communist movement controlled by the U.S.S.R. The Indian Communists would, therefore, if necessary, fight other Indians for the furtherance of their cause.
- At the fifth day's sitting, B.T. Randive streamed the urgency of protecting 7. minority rights which could best be protected on the basis of majority voice. He mentioned that the U. J.S.R. had solved the problem ideally. P.C. Joshi then read out his report regarding the activities of the Party for the past five years. Indicative of the intensive work done by the Farty in the field of labor is the fact that the Party has more than 500 unions under it. In the field of peasant agitation there is the Tebhaga movement, in the face of strong Government opposition, and the expansion of the Kisan Sabha all over India and Pakistan. Jushi repeting this the Congress-dominated Covernment was so caritalistic in outlook that it overlooked the Communist plan to solve labor unrest. The Covernment was blind, he felt, to the merits of planned economy and also the necessity of the working classes for a higher living wage since the inflation. He said that around 100,000 memoers had been enlisted during the past five years and that a network of cells (labor, peasant, student and youth) numbering about 968 had been spread all over India and Pakistan. He added that the Red Guards had been raised to safeguard the interests of the proletariat. He remarked also that the propaganda section of the Party was excellent and announced that sound political cadres has been organized which facilitated the raising of funds and setting up of zonal consittees
- 8. The sixth day's sitting began with a resolution drafted by the "Polit Bureau" (Dange, Randive and P.C. Joshi) in consultation with thomani Sen. The resolution was passed despite opposition to some parts of it by delegates from Bombay, Sihar, and United Provinces.

 It urged that the working classes be organized to prepare for the proleturian revolution, in order that the history of the Paris Commune would not be replated in India. Ithout a leftist consolidation it was felt that the Communists would not be able to rise above the odds against them. Other resolutions passed concerned: (1) Confiscation of Zemindars' lands and distribution of these lands among the peasants; (2) denunciation of a separate nation for the Frontier people and recognition of them as a minority who should have their proper share in the Covernment; (3) abolition of the rule of the indian Princes; (1) Suggesting that the fight against communalism be best carried out by an organized offensive against capitalism, the mainstay of communalism.
- 9. At the seventh day's sitting on 5 March 1948, the delegates concerned themselves with criticism of Party policy. Showani Sen said it was time that the Party won the confidence of other leftist organizations. It was also resolved that there should be separate committees for India and Takistan and that the Partistan countitee would be formed during the Party Pakistan Conference. The sitting came to an end with the selection of a condittee panel which included: B.T. Randive, General Secretary, Dange, Adhikari, P.G. Joshi (Hombay), Joslekar (Hombay), L.K. Dak (Bombay), Somenath Lahiri, Showani Sen (Sengal), Riswanath Bukherjee (Bengal), Saroj Sukherjee (Bengal), Kantilal J. Sha (Mysore), M.P. Rao, Managing Editor of the People's Are Boulavi Z.A. Ahmed, (United Provinces), Kumaramangalam (Madras), Raja Gopal Rao (Mjata), Jokhan Singh (Behar), Ram Awsar (United Provinces), Youlavi Asman (United Provinces), Perin Barucha (Mast Punjab), Ramen Sen (Bengal), and eleven others.

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